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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Number : 10/698,402 Confirmation No. 2689  
Applicants : Jean-Louis ESCARY  
Filed : November 3, 2003  
Title : NEW POLYNUCLEOTIDES AND POLYPEPTIDES OF THE  
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TC/Art Unit : 1647  
Examiner: : Jason James Galvez  
Docket No. : 60711.000025  
Customer No. : 21967

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF JUNE 21, 2005**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant respectfully petitions for a three (3) month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including October 21, 2005. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extensions of time. A check in the amount of \$510.00, consisting of the three (3) month extension of time fee according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is included with this response. It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of this response, but should any fees be necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

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